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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the patent application of:

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For: OBJECT COATED WITH CARBON FILM AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

This application is a divisional of Application No. 08/884,554.☒ Specification (95 pages)☒ Drawings (11 Sheets, Figs. 1-16E)☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney☒ Copy from a prior application for continuation or divisional☒ Return Receipt Postcard☒ An assignment of the invention to Nissin Electric Co., Ltd. with PTO-1595 was filed on January 12, 1998, Recorded on Reel 8913, Frame 0484☒ A Change of Name and Address☒ The disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the declaration is supplied as noted above is considered as being a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.☒ Preliminary Amendment☒ An Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449.☒ Priority of Japanese applications Serial Nos. 167027/1996; 202916/1996; 202917/1996; 221133/1996; 227456/1996 filed on 06/27/96; 07/13/96; 07/13/96; 08/22/96; 08/08/96 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.☒ The certified copies have been filed in prior application Serial No. 08/884,554 filed 6/27/97, and was acknowledged in the Office Action of 07/21/98.☒ A filing fee, calculated as shown below:

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